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HEAVY DOWNPOUR DELAYS OPENING OF WORLD SERIES; FIRST GAME TOMORROW

National Commission Decides to Take No Chances and Calls Today's Game Off—Fair Weather Promised for Tomorrow

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Chicago, Sept. 4. AFTER waiting several hours in vain for the rain to cease, the National Commission met and decided to postpone the opening game of the series for the world's title between the Cubs and Red Sox until tomorrow. This postponement means that the teams will remain in this city until Saturday and leave for Boston on Sunday, that is if the remaining games scheduled for this town are played on time.

While the postponement seemingly deprived the teams of the world series revenue, it, on the other hand, will add to the bankrolls. Without this break in the weather, Saturday, the best baseball day in the week, would have been an off afternoon. This city is a great Saturday afternoon baseball town, and should pack the park.

There absolutely was no chance for a game today. The diamond and immediate environs was covered with canvas, and the alert groundkeeper said if the rain stopped it would be possible to play, but the rain didn't stop.

It was very amusing to see eleven mounted policemen sheeted in rubber, appear at the southside grounds with instructions to keep the grounds in order. They were obedient to the orders issued yesterday to be on the job and watch the crowd. They found about fifty persons huddling in the shelters near the grandstand. Meanwhile the sandwich men and the other vendors proceeded with their preparations, and fifteen sheep, which feed on the grounds and grow wool for the soldiers, were driven off the pasture.

Under the canvas the ground was still dry, but above the skies still were weeping.

The excitement which usually characterizes the fall classic is missing from the picture. No eager crowds gather on the street corners and in the hotels to discuss the chances of the contending teams. No flock of hard-boiled eggs has charged the National Commission headquarters to demand its usual quota of deadhead tickets. All of these familiar scenes have been erased and only the chatter of the newspaper men keeps up the interest.

There has been little betting. The home folks are boosting the chances of the Cubs to the skies, but there has been no vulgar display of wealth. Even the customary odds are conspicuous by their absence. There are no odds. The wagering is even.

Perhaps there will be some excitement after tomorrow's game, for despite the lukewarm attitude of the fans a large crowd is expected to attend the opening act.

THESE faithful readers will be present as a matter of duty, the same as the merry villagers attend the circus on its annual visit. If everything goes well today the series will be a success. If not, we hesitate to peer into the future.

Weak Opposition Apparently Has Helped Cubs

THE majority of the experts seem to think that Chicago will win with little difficulty, but a careful study of the dope does not bear this out. The Red Sox have been playing against good teams all season and the American League is known to be much stronger than the National. The Cubs have not faced opposition like that of the Red Sox and the team virtually is an unknown quantity. Players like Merkle, Mann, Flack and Fisk suddenly blossomed out as leading sluggers, hitting the ball better than ever before in their lives. It looks strange when a gang of veterans starts going at top speed at the tail end of their careers, and the only answer is weak opposition.

Fred Mitchell, however, is certain his club will win, but does not go so far as to say it will be a short series. He asserts he has the better ball club and will prove it. Fred believes Boston is a two-man team, featuring Ruth and Harry Hooper; but he fails to take into consideration players like Amos Strunk, Stuffy McInnis, Scott and Dave Shean.

"Now, take a look at our line-up," said Mitchell. "We have outbatted Boston twenty points on the season and stolen almost fifty more bases. It is admitted that both clubs are equal on the defense, so doesn't that give us the edge?"

"FURTHERMORE, our club is in the best possible condition," continued Mitchell. "We have no crimped and every man is going at top speed. The pitchers are good and we, Bill Killefer behind the bat, we have the advantage in that department. I will be greatly surprised if the Red Sox win."

Red Sox, Smart Club, Will Win, Says Barrow

ED BARROW, manager of the Sox, took his team out to Comiskey Park yesterday afternoon when they stepped off the train. The men went through a short workout, just to limber up. They have played on the field before and are well acquainted with the place.

"Chicago will not have a cinch," said Barrow. "Much has been said about their pitchers, but we have four who are just as good. Mays, Ruth, Bush and Jones will make things interesting for Mitchell's club and our hitters will test the ability of Vaughn and Tyler to the limit. I believe I have the smarter ball club and will win."

Barrow said he would use Joe Bush against Vaughn tomorrow, and if Mitchell sends in Tyler, Babe Ruth will be on the mound.

THE Red Sox are confident of winning the big game despite local reports to the contrary. They expect a hard battle, but there is no doubt as to the outcome in their minds.

Joe Bush Looks for Clean Sweep

SOME inside dope was spilled late Monday night when Joe Bush, Sam Agnew and Carl Mays boarded our train in Pittsburgh after spending a day looking over the Cubs against the Pirates.

"What do you think of the series?" we asked.

"Nothing to it," replied Bush. "I wouldn't be surprised if we took four games in a row, and I'm not talking through my hat, either. Those Cub batters are not dangerous if you pitch to them properly, and I believe we will work their weaknesses to the limit. We have been counted out by the experts in the advance dope, but there will be a change in feeling after the first two games. Just wait and see."

"Now, here's something to think over," continued Joe confidentially. "They say Jim Vaughn will give us lots of trouble and stand on our ears when he pitches. That's news to us, for Vaughn looks like a cinch. He is a fast-ball pitcher and we have murdered that sort of delivery all season. We only hope Big Jim pitches three of the games. That will mean three victories."

"The man who will give us some trouble, however, is George Tyler. Lefty is a slow-ball pitcher, has a dinky curve and baffling change of pace, and in addition has a good fast ball."

TYLER will have us guessing if he is right, but as for the others we are not worrying. Douglas and Hendrix are made to order and we will do some tall hitting.

Mays Certain to Have Cubs Guessing

TAKE our own staff, for instance. Carl Mays is going good and you can't dodge the fact that he will come mighty close to winning the first game he pitches against a strange club. His underhanded delivery has all of the American League hitters guessing, so what will happen to the Cubs? He will grab that first game sure if he starts, and that will give us the edge.

"Babe Ruth is no slouch as a pitcher, although he is looked upon more as a slugger. But his snoutpaw slants still are breaking well and he will be a very tough person to beat. Sam Jones, to my mind, is one of the best twirlers in the game today; so you can see what happens when you try to compare the pitching staffs. I am not saying much about myself, but I believe I will be able to do something if I get on the mound. I am in excellent shape and will work my head off. If that combination doesn't win, then I don't know what will."

"Our outfield, with Hooper, Strunk, Ruth and Whitman, looks better than Mann, Paskert and Flack; McInnis is a better first baseman than Merkle; Scott plays a better and more consistent game than Hollcher, and with Thomas at third and Shean at second we do not suffer. Take it from me, we are ready to spring a big surprise, and just watch us take those first four games."

THE players are keyed up to the fighting pitch and are determined to bring the series to an end as soon as possible.

MEMBERS of first-division National League clubs have agreed to the plan of the National Commission that they donate 10 per cent of their gross receipts to the war effort. It was predicted that the National League players will follow their lead.

MOVIE OF A WOMAN TRYING TO GET A LINE ON A PHONE CONVERSATION



DEWHURST HOLES OUT FROM THE TEE

H. A. Ross Also Makes Eagle on Short Fourteenth at Huntingdon Valley

GOLFERS OBEY REQUEST

By WILLIAM H. EVANS

SOME of the best professional golfers in this section of the country had every opportunity in the world of shooting an eagle on the fourteenth hole at Huntingdon Valley last week, but the best any of them got was a bird two. Counting the first day of play, which was called off on account of the down-pour which inundated some of the greens, every one of the thirty-odd pros had four opportunities to hole out his tee shot on the blind one-shotter, with its saucer-shaped green.

Yet the week before two of the Huntingdon Valley members registered eagles on this hole and Eddie Peet happened to be playing with both of them. Dr. E. Dewhurst, who has forsaken in a large measure the tennis court for the links, was the first one to drop his nubbie shot into the hole, and incidentally it was the first time in his life that he holed out a tee shot. A few days later H. A. Ross repeated the feat. Unfortunately, neither player had the pleasure of seeing the ball drop into the hole, as it is not possible to see the green from the tee. The following day, however, had an eagle two on the eleventh hole at the Country Club, and two eagles in two days is a feat that rarely comes to any golfer.

For the benefit of those who do not happen to know what birds, eagles and crows are, a bird is a hole made in one stroke under par, and a crow is one made in two strokes under par, and a crow is one made in a stroke over par. Bats are another term frequently used in playing golf, and a bat is a hole made in one stroke under par, and a bat is one made in two strokes under par, and a bat is one made in a stroke over par.

There may have been slacks among the automobilists last Sunday, but the golfers were not among them. There was hardly a golf club in the district that did not take the request of the golf administration literally. There is no other course around Philadelphia where the members are more dependent upon motorcars than Whitman's Valley. The course is situated several miles from the railroad stations. In the heart of Hill, there was not a single motorcar at the club. The course was well filled with the members, and the nearest road led to the links was to take the City Line cars to the end of the line. This brought them to the thirteenth green.

There was one car at St. David's, but it was there Saturday night and it did not leave the grounds until Labor Day. The number of golfers who own motorcars is very large, but none of their cars went out of the garage last Sunday.

MILLIKEN, FORMER PIRATE, PITCHER, DIES IN SERVICE

By the United Press

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 4.—Cadet M. C. Milliken, former pitcher for the Fort Worth National League Baseball Club, who was injured in an airplane crash yesterday in which Lieutenant Green was killed, died today at the post hospital of his injuries. Milliken's home was at Pensacola, Fla.

Boyetown, 9; Pottstown, 0

Boyetown, Pa., Sept. 4.—Boyetown, Pa., defeated Pottstown, Pa., 9 to 0, in a football game yesterday. Boyetown scored on a 100-yard run, a 50-yard pass, and a 100-yard run. Pottstown scored on a 100-yard run, a 50-yard pass, and a 100-yard run.

Elmer Open for Saturday

Elmer, Pa., Sept. 4.—Elmer, Pa., will be open for a game for Saturday afternoon with a first-class traveling team that is willing to travel for a suitable stake. Call 30 Elmer and between 7:30 and 8:00 o'clock tonight.

Elmer Club would like to arrange games with any club or team having home grounds and offering a suitable stake. Club members, 2001 South Franklin street.

FAMOUS HAWAIIAN TRIO TO SWIM HERE TONIGHT

First of Series of Three Exhibitions for Red Cross at Germantown C. C.

HOLD MANY RECORDS

By ROBERT T. PAUL

DUKE KAHANAMOKU and the other two members of the world famous Hawaiian swimming team—Harold Kruger and Charlie Lane—are here today. This trio, known the world over for their wonderful feats in the pool, river and ocean, arrived here this morning and will remain in this city four days.

During their four days' stay, the trio will compete in three exhibitions for the purpose of raising funds for the American Red Cross. The first exhibition will take place this evening at the Germantown Cricket Club, Germantown. Tomorrow evening they will perform at the Columbia Swimming Club, Broad and Oxford streets. The Philadelphia Turnpike, Broad street and Columbia avenue, will be the scene of their acts on Saturday night.

A series of exhibition and contest events has been arranged for tonight. The Duke will start in a 100-yard race with Johnnie Marling, the star performer of the Meadowbrook Club. Robert Sopp, the local champion will endeavor to beat the Duke. Kruger in a 200-yard crawl, while Raymond and Charlie Lane will compete in a 100-yard race. It is not expected that the local men will provide capable of defeating the famous trio. At least, the Duke, Kruger and Charlie Lane will compete in a 100-yard race. It is not expected that the local men will provide capable of defeating the famous trio. At least, the Duke, Kruger and Charlie Lane will compete in a 100-yard race.

TO PLAY NAVAL SERIES

Fourth and Fifth Districts Will Meet at Shibe Park Today

Twenty sea-going athletes arrived in Philadelphia early this morning from Norfolk, ready to cross bats with the local team representing the Fifth Naval District. The series was called off last evening, but satisfactory arrangements were completed this morning and the games will be played.

Arrangements have been made to play a series of three games at Shibe Park to settle the question as to the supremacy of the navy baseball championship. Up to date the Fifth District team has met and defeated the All-Star club of the Atlantic fleet, which boasts of such celebrities as Rabbit Marling, Ted Gainer and George Whit. Last Sunday and Labor Day morning the Norfolk club defeated the Camp Lee team in two straight games, hammering Molly Craft and Joe Boelling off the rubber.

On the roster of the Fifth Naval District team are such well-known players as Pete Kiddoff, Ernie Knepper, Ted Sloan, Vic Aldridge, Al Bailey, Frank Berry, Norman Glickson, "Scrappy" Moore, "Baby Bull" Jacobson, and a collection of lesser lights. In every known form the Norfolk team is well fortified with a raft of material and feel confident that they will emerge with the long end of the argument, providing the games are played.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

A GOOD heavyweight match has been arranged by the management of the National A. C. for the weekly show at the Philadelphia Arena. The contest will be between the local heavyweight champion, Young Terry McGovern, the Toga heavyweight, and Benny Valgar, the French champion, will be the contestants in the main preliminary. Joe Phillips, of this city, and Pete Hartley will work in the second preliminary and the opening bout will present Willie Moore and Johnny McLoughlin.

At Lippe, manager of Jeff Smith, boxing instructor at Camp Dix, would like to have Jeff matched to meet Harry Grab or Jack McGarrett at a local club.

Johnny Wolgast, the Lancaster middleweight, and Kid Shewler, now of this city, will be the contestants in the first bout at the open-air arena of the Cambria A. C. on Friday night. Young Merino and Denny Hughes will be the contestants in the second final. Tommy Warren and Frankie Baker, Jack Seavers and Frank Slater and Marie Campbell and Billy Williams will make up the rest of the program.

Red (Kid) Lewis, the Heavyweight Champion

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Frank L. Kramer, the greatest exponent of the American cycling game, will make the first appearance of his career in this city tomorrow evening. He will compete in a special match race with Francesco Verri. The race will be decided in the best two of three heats.

The first heat will be of two miles. The second will be one mile. The third, if necessary, will be decided by the toss of a coin. The winner of the toss will name the distance. Kramer and Verri will be paced by tandem bikes.

Manager Jack Roden announced last evening that six of the best amateur bike riders of this section will do the pacing. They will take turns in piloting the riders, so that Kramer and Verri will be sure of fresh pacers all the time.

Instead of Staging a Match Race between Clarence Farman and Paul Suter at Twenty-five Miles, a Three-Cornered Race Will Be Held between Carman, Suter and Pete Drobach, of South Boston, with the Distance Thirty Miles. Two Motorcycle Races Will Complete the Program.

In conjunction with the exhibitions, the women's high-diving championship of the Middle Atlantic district of the A. C. W. will be held. Among those entered are Helen Pennybacker, Katherine Murphy and Florence McLaughlin.

GOLD CUP RACES FOR 1919

Hydroplane Contest Will Be Held if War Doesn't Interfere

Detroit, Sept. 4.—The 1919 gold cup championship races for hydroplanes will be held on the Detroit River course early in September, with the final heat on Labor Day, it became known yesterday. Some fears were expressed, however, that Government action might necessitate the calling off of the annual classic next year.

The Detroit Yacht Club, which entered Miss Detroit III, winner of the race ended Monday, was expected to announce during the day her acceptance of the challenge, issued last night by the Minneapolis Powerboat Association, for the 1919 race. Miss Minneapolis was the Powerboat Association's entrant and was third in the race last ended. Philip-Po-Will, Jr., of the Lake George Yacht Club, was second.

Soldiers in Tank Contests

Bethlehem, Pa., Sept. 4.—In the tank at Lehigh University the soldiers at Camp Copeland today held aquatic sports. It was the first of the greatest sports. Summary: The first race was a 100-yard race. The second race was a 200-yard race. The third race was a 400-yard race. The fourth race was a 800-yard race. The fifth race was a 1600-yard race. The sixth race was a 3200-yard race. The seventh race was a 6400-yard race. The eighth race was a 12800-yard race. The ninth race was a 25600-yard race. The tenth race was a 51200-yard race. The eleventh race was a 102400-yard race. The twelfth race was a 204800-yard race. The thirteenth race was a 409600-yard race. The fourteenth race was a 819200-yard race. The fifteenth race was a 1638400-yard race. The sixteenth race was a 3276800-yard race. The seventeenth race was a 6553600-yard race. The eighteenth race was a 13107200-yard race. The nineteenth race was a 26214400-yard race. The twentieth race was a 52428800-yard race. The twenty-first race was a 104857600-yard race. The twenty-second race was a 209715200-yard race. The twenty-third race was a 419430400-yard race. The twenty-fourth race was a 838860800-yard race. The twenty-fifth race was a 1677721600-yard race. The twenty-sixth race was a 3355443200-yard race. The twenty-seventh race was a 6710886400-yard race. The twenty-eighth race was a 13421772800-yard race. The twenty-ninth race was a 26843545600-yard race. The thirtieth race was a 53687091200-yard race. The thirty-first race was a 107374182400-yard race. The thirty-second race was a 214748364800-yard race. The thirty-third race was a 429496729600-yard race. The thirty-fourth race was a 858993459200-yard race. The thirty-fifth race was a 1717986918400-yard race. The thirty-sixth race was a 3435973836800-yard race. The thirty-seventh race was a 6871947673600-yard race. The thirty-eighth race was a 13743895347200-yard race. The thirty-ninth race was a 27487790694400-yard race. 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